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"The conditions of conquest are always easy. We have but to toil awhile, believe always, and never turn back."—*Simms.*

SCHEDULE

1915

August 1. 4 P.M. Men's Meeting, Y.M.C.A. Auditorium.—The Rev. J. S. M. Hooper, M.A., on "Prayer."
" 2. Magic Lantern Lecture, "South Africa," Army Department.
" 3.
" 4. Character Study Class.
" " Magic Lantern Lecture, "Famous Places in India," Army Department—St. Thomas' Mount.
" 5.
" 6. *Annual Membership Social*, 5 P.M.
" 7. Sub-Junior Football Tournament Finals.
" 8. 4 P.M. Men's Meeting, Y.M.C.A. Auditorium.—The Rev. Kingsley Williams on "The Student and Loyalty."
" 9. Membership canvass begins.
" 10. Sub-Junior Bible Class.
" 11. Magic Lantern Lecture. Army Department, St. Thomas' Mount.
" " Character Study Class.
" 12. Literary Meeting—Inaugural Lecture. (Boys' Branch).
" 15. 4 P.M. Men's Meeting.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. Victor David, son of N. David, Esq., B.A., B.L., Deputy Collector, Trichinopoly, departed this life on Saturday, the 17th July, 1915. He was a member of the Y. M. C. A. Lodge for four years, during which period he always took a keen and active interest in all matters relating to the welfare of the Lodge. In him the members have lost a sincere friend, a keen sportsman, and a good Christian young man. We extend to his parents our very deepest sympathy.

BOYS' BRANCH

The opening Social gathering for the new term was held on Saturday, the 24th July, when the members of the Central and Royapettah branches were present in large numbers. The hall of the department and the Auditorium was tastefully decorated and everything was done by the junior members to ensure success. After spending a half hour in indoor games and observation and Arithmetic contests, the members gathered together in the hall and Mr. Venkatakrishnan, the Social Secretary of the branch, gave a short speech welcoming the new members. Tea and refreshments were then served to the members present. Then an adjournment was made to the Auditorium when a short programme of interesting items was gone through. Master Handoo's song "Tipperary", Rammudu's speech on "The Emden's Visit to Madras," the imitation of a Quack Doctor, by Rajah Swaminathan and the other English songs and Indian songs were much appreciated. The Rev. A. Templeton of the Christian College who occupied the chair gave an instructive address on "Courage" with suitable illustrations from the present war. He congratulated the boys on the excellent programme got up by them and remarked that some of the items were the best he had heard in India. In this connection we express our heartfelt thanks to the Reverend Chairman as well as to the Social Committee members who contributed not a little to the success of the day.

The classes on Muller's System of physical exercises were held on Tuesdays and Fridays the whole of the last month. Many attended the expositions and the first few classes, and only a few were regular throughout. Mr. Ratnam Vedabodagam who was kind enough to go over here on those days has promised to continue the instructions to those who would go over to his lodge, No. 13, Medical Hostel, Royapuram. We hope that the members who want to continue their practice in the course will arrange with him.

The Sub-Junior Football Tournament for Sree Venkatesan Chetty Cup began on the 27th of last month. The Committee members met on the 22nd and the following fixtures were drawn. We hope to be able to announce the results in the next issue :—

FIXTURES

Perambur Football Club / Royapettah Y. M. C. A.	27th July.	3rd Aug.	7th Aug. Finals.
Doveton College / Madras-i-Azam.	31st July.		
Y.M.C.A. (Central) / Bishop Corrie.	28th July.	5th Aug.	
Amateurs, Vepery / Muslim Shooters.	29th July.		

MEMBERSHIP EXTENSION

AN OPEN LETTER

Y. M. C. A., MADRAS,

July 28th.

DEAR MEMBER,

We have pleasure in bringing to your notice that a plan to canvass new members from

August 9 to August 23 (both days inclusive) is being undertaken. The idea is to put forth special efforts during a definite period to secure 300 new members. It is to be regretted that the claims of the Madras Association with so many privileges and opportunities for development and formation of character have not been presented to as many young men in the city as would be desirable. But this requires the hearty support of the members themselves, since the Y. M. C. A. is a co-operative body, depending for its success largely on its members. What at present you could specially contribute towards the Association would be to secure *Three New Members* from among your acquaintances before August 23. We believe this is not asking too much of you: nevertheless it will require the exertion of your will and energy to render this service. Sir George Williams' motto was: "It is not how little, but how much we can do for others." As the time is short please secure your new members at once.

We will specially appreciate the co-operation of our members at this time, as the war has seriously affected our resources and at the same time increased the cost of maintenance.

The enclosed folders and application forms will be of use to you in securing the new members.

To give facilities to men of average income, the Board of Directors have passed the following revised scale of Membership fees:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Students per annum..	3	0	0
Those with an income of Rs. 75 or less ...	4	0	0
Those with an income Rs. 150 or less ...	6	0	0
Those with an income more than Rs. 150...	12	0	0
Sustaining Membership	25	0	0

With every confidence in your ready co-operation,

We remain,
Yours sincerely,
H. C. HERMAN,
General Secretary.

T. SITTHER,
Membership Secretary.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SOCIAL

Special attention of our members is called to the Membership Social to be held on Friday, August 6th, at 5 P.M.

A splendid programme is being got up, which will include pianoforte overtures, banjo solos, comic speeches, funny recitations, humorous songs and a number of other items which surely you ought not to miss. There will be also Tournaments in Indoor games such as ping-pong, draughts, etc. Each member may bring in a friend with him.

STUDENT DEPARTMENT

The following new books have been added to the Students' Library:—

1. Christian Thought to the Reformation.
2. Christian Thought since Kant
3. The Christian Hope
4. Faith and Its Psychology
5. A Critical Introduction to the Old Testament.

6. A Critical Introduction to the New Testament.
7. Revelation and Inspiration
8. Protestant Thought before Kant
9. Philosophy and Religion
10. Christianity and Social Questions.
11. Fox's Book of Martyn
12. Handbook of Church History
13. Cambridge Bible—Act
14. " " St. Luke
15. " " St. Mark
16. " " St. Matthew
17. " " St. John
18. Teacher's Commentary in St. Mark.
19. Awakening of India
20. The Twelve
21. How to Study the Bible
22. William Tindale
23. James Legge
24. Religions and Religion
25. Religion and the Crisis
26. Quiet Talks with World Winners.

Inter-hostel tournaments begin about August 16th. Representatives from all hostels are being asked to meet on August 4th, to fix dates and rules. Several hostels are determined to win the cups, so a lively contest is expected.

Rev. C. Kingsley Williams will speak at the men's meeting on August 8th on "The Student and Loyalty" Don't miss it!

ARMY DEPARTMENT

For three days we did our best to welcome and serve the troops from New Zealand while they were detained in the Madras Harbour. The good-natured and enthusiastic New Zealanders swarmed all over the building using the restaurant, office, games rooms, etc., to the limit. A large sum of English money was exchanged and dozens of post cards purchased. We assisted the men in getting about Madras wherever possible.

Twenty-six men of the Second Battery, Devonshire Regiment, stationed at Bangalore and in charge of Sergeant Mohan, spent Friday night and Saturday with us a busy day of sight-seeing. All of the men were kept occupied until they were tired enough to turn in.

Rev. T. Short, a new Secretary for the Army work from Australia, spent Saturday, July 31st, with us *en route* to Bangalore.

NOTES

The Wormans have removed from the "Woodlands" on the Orme's Road to "Claybrooke" beside Kilpauk Post Office.

We shall have the pleasure to welcome Mr. W. H. Henricks, a new Secretary on our staff, to Madras about August 15, 1915.

Rev. Devasahayam of Nagercoil spent several days with us visiting friends.

Our members will be pleased to know that Mr. James Barnabas has joined the Karachi Association for a year.

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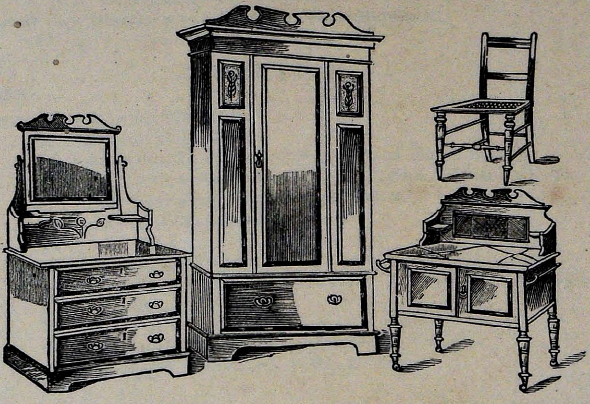

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